

MINUTES Regular Meeting of Principal Shopping District January 11, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cooper called the meeting to order at 7:34 AM. The meeting was held at City Hall located at 28 N. State Road, Newaygo, MI 49337.

Roll Call: Present: Brock, Clor, Cooper, Fedell, Friar, Nelson, Slominski

Absent: Faulkner, Parsley

Also Present: Jon Schneider: City Manager, Kim Goodin: Recording Secretary

Motion by Cooper, second by Nelson to excuse absent members. AIF/MC

Motion by Fedell, second by Nelson to approve the agenda as presented. AIF/MC

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Fedell, second by Nelson to approve 12/13/2022 PSD special meeting minutes. AIF/MC

PUBLIC COMMENTS

BOARD BUSINESS

Motion by Fedell, second by Slominski to reappoint Cooper as PSD Chair, Fedell as PSD Vice-Chair and Kim Goodin as PSD Recording Secretary. AIF/MC

Motion by Fedell, second by Slominski to approve the 2023 PSD Meeting Dates. The dates of the meetings will be the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 am at City Hall, noting that if there are no agenda items, the meeting will be canceled. AIF/MC In previous years the PSD Board has met quarterly and scheduled special meetings when necessary and they hope this eliminates special meetings.

Motion by Fedell, second by Nelson to approve Facade Permit for 73 W. State Rd.-Riverwalk Nutrition. AIF/MC Motion by Fedell, second by Clor to approve black or black and white awnings, as pictures show in packets, for 41 State Rd.-Market 41. AIF/MC

Schneider gave an overview and showed pictures of the North parking area behind The Stream (1 State Rd.) being discussed. Discussions were related to the curbs that are painted yellow in the North parking lot behind The Stream (1 State Rd.), Newaygo Brewery (19 State Rd.), and 37 North (27 State Rd.), and what parking, if any, should be allowed in these areas. Chief of Police Andres and Amy Dalman, Code Enforcement Officer, were present and Chief stated that in Michigan, curbs that are painted yellow mean "No Parking," but local City Code can be different if defined. Chief said that Dalman is currently following the City Code when enforcing parking in these areas. Board members discussed loading, unloading, and delivery that need to occur in these areas behind The Stream (1 State Rd.), Brewery (19 State Rd.), and 37 North (27 State Rd.) stating that unloading and loading times vary dependent on the delivery. Chief said that some of the drive lane areas in the back of the buildings are narrower than others making those narrow areas more of a safety concern for traffic when a vehicle is parked along the yellow curb. Chief said that the PSD needs to decide what they would like to see going forward and she will do some additional research on what can be done in this area. She said any changes suggested to the current City Code would need to be approved by the City Council. Some board members would like the curbs to not be painted yellow and have signs placed in those areas that state parking only for loading and unloading. All discussed the current islands in

the back that have landscaping and if any of these could be eliminated or reduced in size to allow for wider drive lanes. Chief said that we need to clearly define what the City Code says so that it can be enforced consistently. Chief said that they want to work with all the businesses and want them to succeed in Newaygo. Chief said she will do some research and bring back information as to what can potentially be done to the next PSD meeting so that a mutual decision can be reached prior to the summer months. Board asked how it would be enforced until the decision was made and Chief said that it would be enforced according to email Schneider sent out previously which said: if a vehicle is temporarily parked next to a yellow curb and there is a person present that is actively loading or unloading something into their business, there is no problem. Discussion occurred regarding items being displayed or stored, short term, on the sidewalks around businesses. Schneider said that there is a Resolution for the PSD area stating what can be placed outside a business on the sidewalk and how much can be placed outside the business. Schneider stated that it needs to be consistent for all businesses.

Schneider discussed the current fiscal year budget, which was included in packets, stating that overall revenue and expenses are right where they should be. He said that approximately \$4,700 had been spent to fix the retaining wall behind Flying Bear Books and Riverwalk Nutrition and said that the DPW is going to look at the retaining wall in the South Parking lot below the elementary school to see if any repairs are needed. Schneider said that they will be getting quotes to replace the concrete behind Northwood General when they replace their stairs.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Cooper said that the parking spaces behind The Stream that have signs indicating "2 Hour Parking" have been working so far, but stated that this upcoming summer will be the first summer that the signs have been in place.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

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Motion by Cooper, second by Fedell to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 am. AIF/MC